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# NEWS OF THE WATERFRONT

**Appraisers Value the  
Island Steamers at  
\$550,000.**

**First Step Made Toward a Con-  
solidation of Wilder and Inter-  
Island Companies.**

**F**IVE hundred and fifty thousand dollars is the valuation placed upon the steamers of the Wilder's Steamship Company and the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company by the three appraisers appointed a short time since to set a value on the moving stock. This valuation is arrived at with a view to placing the figures before the stockholders relative to the proposition to consolidate the two companies under one management. The Wilder's Steamship Company is capitalized for \$500,000 and the Inter-Island company for \$600,000. The valuation arrived at includes only the steamers of the two companies, divided as follows:

Wilder company—Steamers Kinau, Claudine, Helene, Maui, Lehua, Kaula, Hawaii and Mokoli; total, eight vessels.

Inter-Island company—Mauna Loa, W. G. Hall, Hanalei, Mikahala, Niihau, James Makee, Ke Au Hou, Iwailani, Kaula, Waialeale, Noeau; total, eleven steamers. Also the schooner Fanny Adele.

Four of the Wilder steamers are steel, the rest wooden; all of the Inter-Island fleet are wooden vessels. In view of this fact, although the Inter-Island company has more vessels than the Wilder fleet, the valuation on the Wilder fleet is \$1,000 more than that of the Inter-Island.

In the combination of the runs of the various vessels, the Wilder company has a monopoly on the Molokai business, and generally is conceded to have that of Maui as well as the Hamakua-Hilo run. The Inter-Island company has much of the business of the leeward side of the Island of Hawaii and has a monopoly of the Kaula-Niihau business.

The consolidation is proposed in order that the expenses of maintaining two managements may be eliminated and cut down by having but one management for the two companies. Both companies claim they are not making any money. The presidents of the two companies held conferences several weeks since and the appointment of appraisers followed. The matter will be laid before the directors in joint session before any action will be taken toward a consolidation.

## Involuntary Passengers.

When the Hongkong Maru was made ready to sail for the Orient shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday the fact that her hour of departure was approaching was not made known to visitors on the vessel. The result was that when the stern line was cast loose the vessel immediately swung away from the dock several feet. The gangway was filled with visitors returning to the shore and they were thereby suspended between the sky and the deep blue sea on a not too steady platform. A swinging plank was extended from the gangway to the dock and held by the hands of half a dozen sturdy Hawaiians but those on the gangway were loth to make the attempt to come ashore by that means. The officers on the vessel saw the predicament in which they had placed the visitors and the stern line was at once sent ashore again and the Hongkong Maru drawn in closer to the shore. Among those who were caught on the swaying gangway were Mrs. J. S. McGrew, Miss Gillette, Mr. Tarn McGrew, Hon. Miki Saito, Japanese Consul and Mrs. Saito, and a number of prominent Japanese of this city. The incident caused much amusement to those on shore although those most interested were led to believe that they must return to shore on the Fearless.

Quite a reception was held on board the vessel for Mrs. Masuda, mother of Mr. Masuda of the Japanese Immigration Bureau, who returned to Japan. The Japanese Consul called and paid his respects and the leave was "quite interesting to those of the passengers who thus had their first introduction to the quaint etiquette of the Japanese. More than a hundred Japanese went aboard the vessel to return to Japan. Their baggage was of the most nondescript character and there was any amount of it.

## Mariposa Leaves for the Coast.

Promptly at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the Mariposa slipped away from the Oceanic dock assisted by the tug Fearless and started out for sea at a lively gait. Barring no accidents or rough weather the vessel will reach San Francisco next Tuesday afternoon before sundown and in time to pass quarantine and go to her dock. She carried a large number of passengers, among them being many Honoluluans who are off for various parts of the States. The Mariposa carried a large amount of island products consisting of 1000 tons of sugar, 5,000 bunches of bananas and three hundred bales of wool. The bananas occupied a portion of the main deck. Among the passengers were B. Griggs Holt, secretary of the stevedoring firm of McCabe, Hamilton & Renny, who goes on a pleasure trip to San Francisco for a month or six weeks.

## Cable Ship Sails.

After spending a week in port coaling and undergoing a renovation, the cable ship Britannia departed yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock for London, via Manila and Singapore. The ship, which completed the Vancouver-Australia cable surveys last month, will return to Lon-



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## VESSELS IN PORT.

### ARMY AND NAVY.

U. S. tug Iroquois, Pond.

### MERCHANTMEN.

(This list does not include coasters.)  
Abbey Palmer, Am. bk., Johnson, New-  
castle, August 31.  
Ariel, Am. schr., Slater, Tacoma, Sep-  
tember 3.  
Eldorado, Am. schr., Johnson, Gray's  
Harbor, September 7.  
Foong Suey, Am. bk., Willett, New  
York, August 26.  
Olympic, Am. bk., Gibbs, San Francis-  
co, September 3.  
Oregonian, Am. s.s., Williams, San  
Francisco, September 10.  
Santa, Br. bk., Stronnar, Junin, Chile,  
August 31.  
S. C. Allen, Am. bk., Johnson, San  
Francisco, July 19.  
S. D. Carleton, Am. sp., Amesbury, Ta-  
coma, August 26.  
Werra, Ger. bk., Brunings, Bremen,  
August 25.  
Wm. H. Smith, Colley, Tacoma, August  
18.

### Pacific Coast S. S. Co. Sues.

The threatened move of the employers  
to resort to the courts to assist in mak-  
ing the union men bear the brunt of the  
contest between capital and labor has  
been made by the filing of a suit in the  
United States Circuit Court by the Pa-  
cific Coast Steamship Company against  
the Pacific Coast Marine Firemen's  
Union, designated as "a corporation,"  
and the Sailors' Union of the Pacific,  
said in the complaint to be "a voluntary  
association." Among the defendants are  
Andrew Forsyth, the secretary of the  
Seamen's Union, the treasurer, the ship-  
ping master and five members, all ap-  
pearing as "John Doe."

The complaint is signed and sworn to  
by Edwin Goodall, secretary of the Pa-  
cific Coast Steamship Company, and is  
to recover \$25,000 from the defendants for  
breach of contract and consequent dam-  
ages done to the interests of Senator  
Perkins' steamship company. As the  
suit is brought under the Interstate Com-  
merce Act, the damages, if recovered by  
judgment, will be treble the amount as-  
ked for in the complaint.—Examiner.

### Americana Arrives at Seattle.

The Sea Lion brought up in the tow  
the American schooner Americana, 839  
tons, Captain Lindholm, which she tow-  
ed to Quartermaster harbor to go on the  
drydock for an overhauling, says the  
Tacoma Ledger of August 25. The Amer-  
icana comes from Newcastle May 19 via  
Honolulu and is under charter to load  
on the British side.

### Shipping Notes.

The Mikahala will go on the ways for  
scrapping.

The German bark Werra will leave for  
Portland on Saturday to load wheat for  
Bremen.

The Nippon Maru, from the Orient, is  
due this evening, and will sail for San  
Francisco tomorrow.

The new steel steamship Californian  
of the American-Hawaiian line is due  
on the Sound, being scheduled to sail  
August 31 or thereabouts for Honolulu  
with general freight, says the Tacoma  
Ledger of August 23. Carey W. Cook  
represents the line on the Sound.

Josh Westhafer, of Loogootee, Ind., is  
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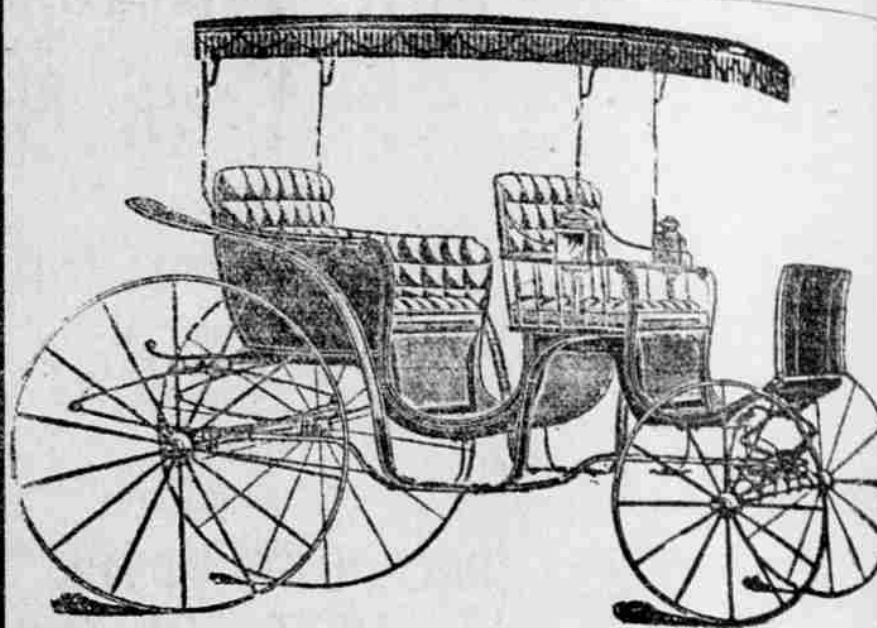
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